HOUSE RESOLUTION No. ____

Introduced by:	Friend, Pearson

A HOUSE RESOLUTION supporting education of the use of higher blends of ethanol in non-flex fuel vehicles and encouraging the United States Environmental Protection Agency to authorize the use of higher blends of ethanol in non-flex fuel vehicles pursuant to a waiver under the federal Clean Air Act.

Whereas, The 2007 federal Energy Bill require the increased use of ethanol, a requirement that could be addressed through the use of higher ethanol blends, such as E15, E20 and E30, in non-flex fuel vehicles;

Whereas, The United States Environmental Protection Agency has the authority to authorize the use of higher blends

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of ethanol in non-flex vehicles pursuant to the federal Clean Air Act;

Whereas, Studies have shown that non-flex fuel vehicles can run safely using higher blends of ethanol;

Whereas, Numerous studies have shown favorable emissions data through the use of higher blends of ethanol in comparison with unleaded gasoline;

Whereas, Indiana is one of the leading states in the production of ethanol and higher blends of ethanol will increase the use of Indiana-produced ethanol;

Whereas, in a recent study, an increase in ethanol blend from 10% to 15% would have a combined direct and secondary annual economic impact to the state of Indiana of \$607 million dollars; and

Whereas, in this same study, an increase in ethanol blend from 10% to 15% would have a combined direct and secondary annual employment impact to the state of Indiana of 3,409 full-time jobs: Therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

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9 10 SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives supports education of the use of higher blends of ethanol in non-flex fuel vehicles given numerous studies and data that support the use of higher blends in non-flex fuel vehicles and, as such, encourages the United States Environmental Protection Agency to authorize the use of higher blends of ethanol in non-flex fuel vehicles.

SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives transmit a copy of this resolution to the Indiana Congressional delegation and the administrator of the united States Environmental Protection Agency.

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